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Serial No. 09/991,066	Filing Date November 9, 2001	Examiner	Group Art Unit 3651
Inventor(s) Tomohiro Ohzuru et. al			
Title of Invention MULTI-LAYERED ENDLESS BELT, MEDIUM CONVEYING BELT MADE OF THE SAME, PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF, AND FORMING APPARATUS THEREOF			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

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- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

OHZUUR ET AL.

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For: MULTI-LAYER ENDLESS BELT, MEDIUM  
CONVEYING BELT CONSISTING OF IT,  
AND PRODUCTION METHODS AND  
FORMING DEVICES THEREFOR

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are

enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The references now cited are the following:

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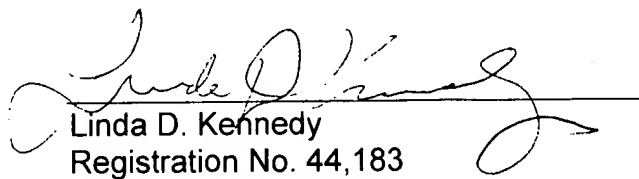
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to this material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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